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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of **Adi A. Scheidemann** of Seattle, Washington; **Kem Robinson** of Bellevue, Washington; **Patrick L. Jones** of Seattle, Washington; and **Stephen C. Gottschalk** of Woodinville, Washington, entitled **MAGNETIC SEPARATOR FOR LINEAR DISPERSION AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME.**

__X__ 1. This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/052,891, filed January 18, 2002, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/469,662, filed December 22, 1999, which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/325,936, filed June 4, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,182,831, issued February 6, 2001, which is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/US98/21000, filed October 6, 1998, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/061,394, filed October 7, 1997, the benefit of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 119, respectively.

__X__ 2. An application consisting of 31 pages of specification, including the claims and the Abstract of the Disclosure, and 15 sheets of drawings is attached.

__X__ 3. A copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the above-noted prior application is attached. This application is a divisional, no new matter has been added to this application, and no new inventors have been named. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of this application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.

__X__ 4. The prior application was assigned to The University of Washington, by an Assignment recorded at Reel 010016/Frame 0949 and to STI Optronics Inc., by an Assignment recorded at Reel 010016/Frames 0955 and 0972..

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